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## Examiner's Amendment

1. An Examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this Examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview and/or FAX request with Mr. Leonid Thenor on December 28, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

- Claim 5, line 2: the dependency was changed from "claim 4" to "claim 10";
  - Claim 5, lines 2 end of claim: the phrase "further consisting of ... and
    the second soft magnetic layer" was replaced with the phrase:
    "wherein at least one of said first soft magnetic layer and said second
    soft magnetic layer is made of a crystalline material";
- Claim 7, line 2: the dependency was changed from "claim 6" to "claim 10";
  - Claim 7, line 2: the phrase "further consisting of" was replaced with the phrase "wherein said ferromagnetic layer is";
  - Claim 7, end of claim: immediately before the period at the end of the claim, the following phrase was inserted: ", and wherein said first soft magnetic layer is made of an amorphous material";
- Claim 8, line 2: the dependency was changed from "claim 6" to "claim 10";
  - o Claim , lines 2 end of claim: the phrase "further consisting of ... and the second soft magnetic layer" was replaced with the phrase:

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